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OVER THE PLATE.

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One can readily see, right from the start that there must be a big ball game going on somewhere, because of all the crowds band parades, and excitement in general.

Farmer Al was a first rate catcher, and the game was going along pretty well, but they had an awful fat-headed umpire, and that caused no end of trouble. His decisions were always the very opposite of the truth, and Walter J. Mouse, had to beat him up several times.

Then finally old Al came up to bat, and knocked a "Homer" or thereabouts, at least after a long, long, struggle between bases, he nearly reached home base, when the catcher caught the ball, and touched the farmer sliding in. The fat headed umpire, declared him safe, and old Al rather proud of his achievement starts howling for the crowd. A fight starts all over again between the catcher and the umpire. The cats back up a pie wagon, and start showering the farmer. The farmer ducks a few and one hits a cop. The cop and all the crowd chase the farmer.

Aesop Says:

"Move forward or you'll be a back number."

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